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DAVE LANG CLERK CIRCUIT COURT LEON COUNTY FLORIDA IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF JUDGE

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 94-12

IN RE COVERAGE OF DETENTION HEARINGS AND EMERGENCY JUVENILE PROCEEDINGS

WHEREAS, Rules of Judicial Administration 2 050 (b)(4) states that

"The chief judge may assign any judge to temporary service for which the judge is qualified in any court in the same circuit ", and

WHEREAS, there is currently no explicit policy that clearly specifies the responsibility for conducting juvenile detention hearings in the various counties in the Second Judicial Circuit, and

WHEREAS, there is a desire to minimize the distance in which juveniles must be transported for preliminary hearings. It is therefore,

ORDERED THAT

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- For all Second Judicial Circuit juvenile cases, detention hearings for juveniles detained in the Leon County Juvenile Detention Center shall be the responsibility of the circuit judge assigned to the juvenile division in Leon County
- For children not physically detained in the Leon Juvenile Detention Center, juvenile detention and emergency juvenile hearings in Franklin, Jefferson, Gadsden, Liberty, and Wakulla Counties shall be the responsibility of the circuit judge assigned to that county, if available, or in the absence of the circuit judge, by the resident county judge in those instances where the juvenile is physically



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located in one of the above referenced counties. The utilization of county judges to provide backups for circuit judges should be viewed as temporary. The specific circuit judge assigned to Franklin, Jefferson, Gadsden, Liberty, or Wakulla Counties shall retain jurisdiction over all other matters pertaining to those cases.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers, at Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida this

day of October, 1994

PHILIP T PADOVANO

CHIEF JUDGE

